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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
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KEITH CREAGH
DIRECTOR

SUBMITTED: June 6, 2018
RESUBMITTED: June 18, 2018



MEMORANDUM TO THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Subject: Antlerless Deer License Quotas
Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 11 of 2018

Authority:

The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, authorizes the Director and the Commission to issue orders to manage wild animals in this state.

Discussion and Background:

Wildlife Conservation Order Amendment No. 5 of 2017, Antlerless Deer License Quotas, established the public land antlerless deer license quota and the private land antlerless deer license quota for each deer management unit (DMU) and was recommended that those license quotas remain in effect for three years. However, the Department recommends making a change outside of the three-year cycle and amending specific public and private land antlerless deer license quotas for chronic wasting disease (CWD) management.

Public and Private Land Antlerless Deer License Quotas:

Compared to 2017 quotas, the proposed antlerless deer license quotas would result in an increase in private land antlerless licenses and an increase in public land antlerless licenses in the Northern Lower Peninsula (NLP). The Southwest Lower Peninsula (SWLP) is proposed to have a decrease in private land antlerless licenses and an increase in public land antlerless licenses. In the Southeast Lower Peninsula (SELP) and the Upper Peninsula (UP), there is no change proposed for both public and private land antlerless licenses.

In addition, the Department proposes increasing antlerless deer license quotas to continue aggressive CWD surveillance. The Department proposes the following:

- Unlimited private land antlerless licenses in the CWD Management Zone
- Private and public land antlerless licenses in individual county DMUs within the CWD Management Zone

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Preliminary harvest estimates from the 2017 season showed an increase in antlerless harvest to all proposed deer management units. To accompany 2018-2019 CWD regulations proposals, field staff has prepared narrative documents reporting and analyzing multiple-year trends in data and deer management issues in each DMU. These documents are available separately for review to the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) and will be available to the public soon. The Department also recommends increasing the public land antlerless licenses in DMU 452. In 2017, public land antlerless licenses sold out mid-season. It is proposed that 3,000 public land antlerless licenses (up from 2,000 in 2017) be available for DMU 452.

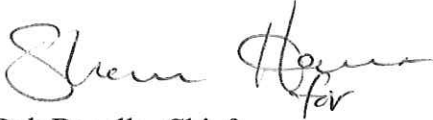
Relevant Divisions have contributed to the preparation of this order. This order was submitted for information on June 14, 2018, at the Natural Resources Commission meeting. This item appeared on the Department's June calendar and may be eligible for approval on July 12, 2018.



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I have analyzed and discussed these recommendations with staff and concur as to matters over which the Director has authority.



Keith Creagh, Director

7/12/18

Date

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION ORDER

Amendment No. 11 of 2018

By authority conferred on the Natural Resources Commission and the Director of the Department of Natural Resources by sections 40107 and 40113a of 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.40107 and 324.40113a, it is ordered that effective July 13, 2018, the following section(s) of the Wildlife Conservation Order shall read as follows:

3.105 Antlerless-only license quotas.

Sec. 3.105 (1) The director in consultation with and concurrence with the natural resources commission may make appropriate minor changes to antlerless deer quotas established in 3.105(2) to meet disease control, population goal, or other management objectives.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the antlerless deer license quotas are as shown in table 3:

TABLE 3
Deer Management Unit (DMU) License Quotas

DMU	DMU Name	Public licenses	Private licenses	Total licenses
003	Allegan County	50	4,000	4,050
005	Antrim County	800	7,000	7,800
006	Arenac County	500	7,000	7,500
007	Big Bay Unit	0	0	0
008	Barry County	1,000	7,500	8,500
009	Bay County	200	3,000	3,200
010	Benzie County	400	1,600	2,000
011	Berrien County*	0	0	0
012	Branch County*	0	0	0
013	Calhoun County	100	7,500	7,600
014	Cass County*	0	0	0
015	Charlevoix County	900	6,000	6,900
016	Cheboygan County	800	1,000	1,800
017	Sault Ste. Marie Unit	0	0	0
018	Clare County	1,000	8,000	9,000
019	Clinton County	1,600	***	1,600***
020	Crawford County	1,000	1,100	2,100
021	Manistique Unit	0	0	0
022	Crystal Falls Unit	0	0	0
023	Eaton County	200	***	200***
024	Emmet County	600	2,200	2,800
025	Genesee County	0	7,000	7,000
026	Gladwin County	1,200	8,000	9,200
027	Watersmeet Unit	0	0	0
028	Grand Traverse County	400	1,600	2,000
029	Gratiot County	2,200	***	2,200***
030	Hillsdale County	400	12,000	12,400
031	Nissula Unit	0	0	0
032	Huron County*	0	0	0
033	Ingham County	800	***	800***
034	Ionia County	1,200	***	1,200***
036	Amasa/Michigamme Unit	0	0	0
037	Isabella County	100	***	100***
038	Jackson County	1,600	16,000	17,600
039	Kalamazoo County*	0	0	0
040	Kalkaska County	400	600	1,000
041	Kent County	1,400	***	1,400***

042	Keweenaw Unit	0	0	0
043	Lake County	500	5,000	5,500
044	Lapeer County	2,000	12,000	14,000
045	Leelanau County	200	1,600	1,800
046	Lenawee County	400	7,500	7,900
047	Livingston County	2,000	10,000	12,000
048	Newberry Unit	0	0	0
050	Macomb County	200	4,000	4,200
051	Manistee County	500	3,500	4,000
053	Mason County	400	7,000	7,400
054	Mecosta County	400	***	400***
055	Menominee Unit	700	6,000	6,700
056	Midland County	1,500	7,500	9,000
057	Missaukee County	400	3,200	3,600
058	Monroe County	100	1,000	1,100
059	Montcalm County	1,600	***	1,600***
061	Muskegon County	800	***	800***
062	Newaygo County	1,000	***	1,000***
063	Oakland County	2,500	6,000	8,500
064	Oceana County	1,000	5,500	6,500
065	Ogemaw County	700	6,000	6,700
066	Ontonagon County	0	0	0
067	Osceola County	300	9,000	9,300
069	Otsego County	800	1,000	1,800
070	Ottawa County	450	***	450***
072	Roscommon County	600	1,000	1,600
073	Saginaw County	200	6,500	6,700
074	St. Clair County	700	9,500	10,200
075	St. Joseph County*	0	0	0
076	Sanilac County*	0	0	0
078	Shiawassee County	200	***	200
079	Tuscola County*	0	0	0
080	Van Buren County*	0	0	0
081	Washtenaw County	1,500	15,000	16,500
082	Wayne County	100	1,200	1,300
083	Wexford County	1,000	3,700	4,700
115	Beaver Island	200	300	500
117	Drummond Island	0	0	0
121	Bay De Noc	200	400	600
122	Norway Unit	0	700	700
127	Ironwood Unit	0	0	0
131	Twin Lakes Unit	0	0	0
145	North Manitou Island	**	0	**
149	Round/Bois Blanc Island	100	100	200
152	Gwinn Unit	0	0	0
155	Gladstone Unit	200	1,500	1,700
162	South Newaygo County*	0	0	0
174	St. Clair Flats	**	300	300 **
245	South Fox Island	**	0	0
249	Trout Lake Unit	0	0	0
252	Rock Unit	0	0	0
255	LaBranche Unit	250	500	750
273	Shiawassee Unit	**	0	**
311	Keeler Unit (Berrien - Cass - Van Buren)	560	8,000	8,560
312	Sherwood Unit (Branch - Kalamazoo - St. Joseph)	1,000	16,000	17,000
332	Greenleaf Unit (Huron - Sanilac - Tuscola)	5,200	35,000	40,200
349	Engadine Unit	0	0	0
452	TB Core Area	3,000	0	3,000

487	Northern Multi-County	21,000	30,000	51,000
-	CWD Management Zone	0	***	***
	Total	73,310***	326,600***	399,910***

*License quotas for these individual units are reflected as part of multi-county units.

**Public land license quotas for these individual units are issued locally as permits for special deer hunts.

***License quotas for these units located in the CWD Management Area are unlimited due to active disease surveillance protocols.

Issued on this 12th day of July, 2018.

Approved as to matters over which the Natural Resources Commission has authority.


Vicki J. Pontz, Chair
Natural Resources Commission

Approved as to matters over which the Director has authority.


Keith Creagh
Director



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June 18, 2018

TO: Keith Creagh, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Surplus DNR-Managed Land
Roscommon Management Unit – Ogemaw County
Land Transaction Case #20150144

Sale: 0.39 acre

Sale Price: \$3,200.00

Description: Ogemaw County, Klacking Township, T23N, R02E, Section 16:
A parcel of land in the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, more completely described
in the case file.

PA 240 of 2012: This parcel is north of the Mason-Arenac County line and will result in a
decrease of 0.39 acre of counted DNR-Managed lands.

Applicant: Gloria Pfau Trust, Commerce Township, Michigan.

Authority: Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as
amended.

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources
(Department) July 3, 2018, calendar, and is eligible for approval on
July 10, 2018. The transaction will also be posted in a local newspaper
as required by statute.

Acquired: Purchased with State Game Funds in 1940.

Minerals: Mineral rights will be conveyed.

Comments: The desired parcel is adjacent to the applicant's land and will resolve a
trespass on DNR-managed land.

The proposed land disposal was reviewed and recommended for
approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on
December 17, 2015.

Proceeds from the sale will be deposited into the LEFF – Game & Fish
Subfund.

Engagement: Due to the small size of the parcel, the Land Exchange Review
Committee determined local engagement is not necessary.

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- Recommendation:
- (1) That the land be sold to the adjacent landowner for \$3,200.00.
 - (2) That the proceeds of the sale be deposited into the LEFF – Game & Fish Subfund.
 - (3) That the state retain aboriginal antiquities.



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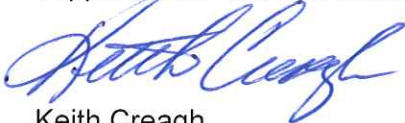


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I approve the staff recommendations.



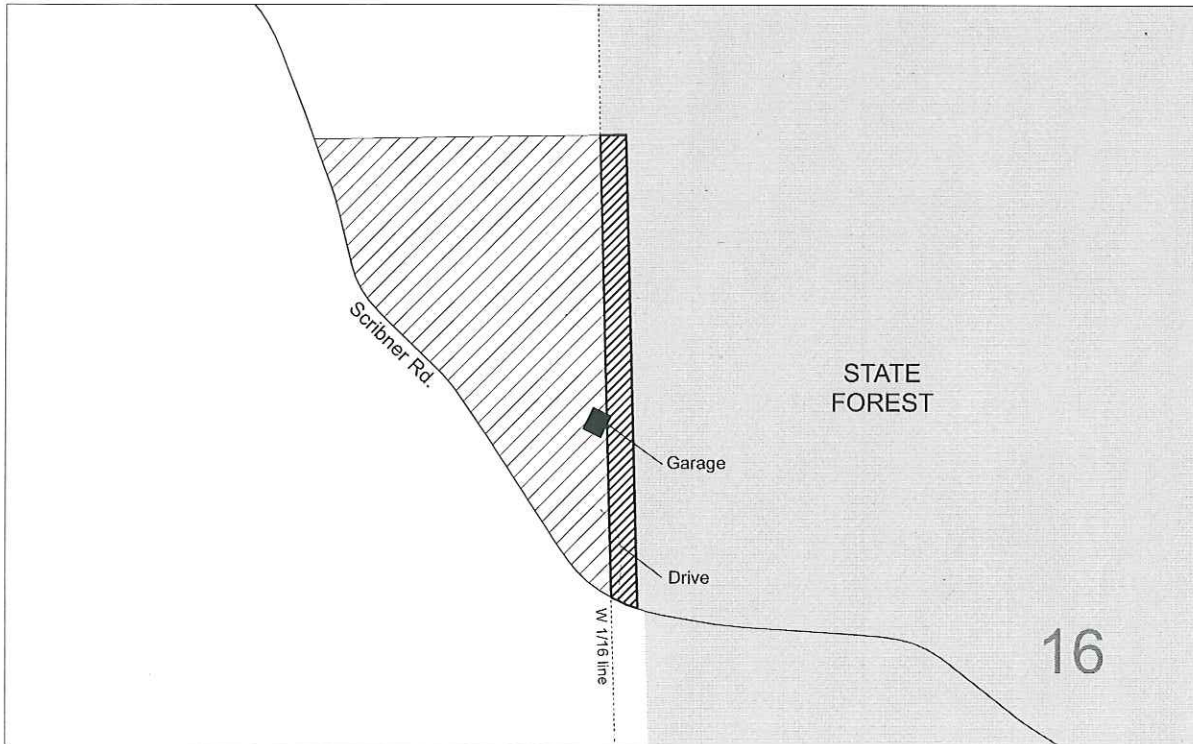
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


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SALE OF SURPLUS DNR-MANAGED LAND

Roscommon Management Unit – Ogemaw County
Land Transaction Case #20150144



Section 16, T23N, R02E, Klacking Township

-  Surplus DNR land to be sold (0.39 acre)
-  Applicant's land
-  State land
-  Private land

